

By Dr. J. P. CANNON, Co. C. 27th Ala.

towards home, after the Franklin and Nash-ville battles, my thoughts reverted to that day poor one, and heartily wished I had gone three years before when we left home 100 | with Lieut. Chandler when the way was strong, most of us young men and boys, full open of life and hope, having no conception of I had no idea where Gen. Hood was, and the hardships and disappointments the future | various discouraging reports were brought had in store for us.

the roll of the 100. "Dead !" his army had been destroyed and the few who "Dead!" came the answers from fields flush | escaped were scattered in the woods. So I with victory, from scenes dark with dire defeat. Some were sleeping where the gray if possible, and await developments. moss waved in sad sympathy and the soft winds whispered a ceasless requiem through | who visited the camps that there was quite the meaning pines. Some answered from far a large force, some estimating as high as Northern prisons, and some from pallid and | 50,000, and it was camped for a distance of suffering forms on hospital cots. Many in- four miles along the main road running deed had answered the last roll-call on from Florence to Waterloo, my father's house "Fame's eternal camping ground"; but as being near the center of the camp. I have

As I trudged along on that lonely walk | crossings would be strictly guarded, I con-

out from the camps by citizens; sometimes In fancy I could hear the Sergeant call that Hood had surrendered, then again that made up my mind to just keep out of the way

In the meantime I gleaned from citizens



A NECESSARY EXPLANATION.

the grim dream became more vivid I could | since learned from Gen. Wilson himself that hear my own name called, and in a husky he had 27,000 men, of which 10,000 were dismounted and the remainder cavalry.

Thank God that to her voice I could once

My arrival home in the afternoon termi

nated my musings, and being the first to

bring tidings of the Tennessee campaign, l

was besieged by the friends of the company

for information concerning those I had let

behind. Very sad the most of it was.

could give them little cheer, knowing tha

some were killed, others wounded, and the

remainder pri oners (except the two Lieuten-

I considered myself very fortunate indeed

to be spared to eat a Christmas dinner with

homefolks, a pleasure I had not enjoyed for

three years, and anticipated a happy time for

Two or three days after my arrival. Lieut

moving down the river in the direction of

That night we talked over the matter, and

only private left after the disastrous Tennes-

Accordingly, the next morning I started

out on sool, and none too soon, for I had

hardly passed out of sight when the head

I did not know for some days afterwards.

erol army between me and any Confederate

the few days of my furlough.

Gravelly Springs (my home).

to cross over at any time.

much desired to do.

should go.

more answer "Here."

ants and myself).

In a few days parties began foraging over As my voice broke the silence my day dream vanished, and I rejoiced that I could othe country, and hunting up rebel soldiers me; that our army had gone to North Caroanswer "Here," and have the blessed hope who were cut off from their commands like lina, and all that section of the country was of soon meeting dear friends and basking for myself. We could hear them shooting chick- in possession of the enemy; that it was an a few days in the tender glow of my mother's ens and turkeys at the neighboring farm- utter impossibility for me to get to any Con- black art in the hands or the astrologer, took eyes. Those tearful eyes. How often had houses, and expected every day for them to federate command, and, besides, if I remained they smiled on me when the march was bard | pay us a visit, and as a precautionary measure | where I was I would be sure to be captured; | awakened. and long, and soothed me when in troubled donned my brother's suit of jeans. sleep I tossed on my soldier's bed of leaves.

This suit had seen much service, and rewas not very becoming.

nd my situation was anything but pleasant, | voice said: Before I had fully decided upon the proper ourse to pursue, I had my first meeting with the Yankees. Hearing the front gate slam I

Chandler came in from Athens and reporter that Gen. Hood had crossed the river at Bain bridge, and a column of the enemy were heir horses, while two had ridden in and were within 15 steps of the door. To say that I was scared is expressing it This news upset our plans completely, and a hasty consultation followed. Lieut. Chanery mildly. What should I do? They had dler decided to cross the river and reioin the

already seen me, and there was no hope of scape by running, and no place to hide. In command, but advised me to "hide out" till the Yankees passed by, then come home and stay till my furlough expired, presuming eack and told my brother to go out and if possithat when Hood was safely on the south side ble keep them from coming into the house. of the river he would go into Winter quarters He did as I suggested, and they compelled and that it would be an easy matter for me him to go with them to the smoke-house, All our field officers had been killed and captured at Franklin and Nashville, so Lieut. Chandler being the highest officer of the regiin trying to think what I should do and say | federate cause. ment, I was glad he sanctioned what I very when they came back.

my parents suggested that I should go out in the hills," away from the main roads, and remain till it was safe for me to return home; and my opinion coincided with theirs, morning" he commanded, "Come out here, point of the pistol, made us shut the door, as I considered it my duty to myself as well | you fellow." I was sitting on a lounge, my | and told us they would leave a guard, and as to my country to take care of the remnant | furlough in my pocket (which I had forgotten), | the first one who peeped out would "get the riched Spain. of Confederate valor that had survived the and hastily slipping it under the cover of top of his head shot off." wreck and ruin of the past few months, and | the lonnge, I got up and walked to the door.

it was quite certain that Co. C could not "Soldier, are you?" afford the loss of another soldier, I being the "Naw, I ain't no soldier."

"But you have been?" of, where I could reasonably hope to be safe feed a regiment. It was evident they had who ever wore the trappings of a soldier and have some show of subsistence during been quizzing my brother, and not knowing cowardly bushwhackers, who were under the my enforced absence from home, was at a | what he had told them I was at a loss how brother's place. He had moved about 10 or to frame my answers. However, I was into and murdered me if anything could have 12 miles to a secluded neighborhood, where it and had to say something, so to the last been gained by it. he would be east of the line of march of both | question I answered :

"Wall, they 'scripted me an' tak me off, armies. " wes soon settled that there I but I run away the fust chance I got." "How long were you in the rebel army?"

of the column made its appearance, and in | chance?" stead of passing by began to pitch tents and "Have you ever taken the oath?" prepare for Winter quarters, though of this

"Oh, jest a leetle while-a week or two.

Bidn't I tell you I run away the fust

"Oath! What's that?" "Oath of allegiance to the U. S. Govern-

My home at Gravelly Springs, Ala., was 15 miles west of Plorence, and three miles north "Naw ; I ain't never been axed to." Up to this time one of them had not of the Tennessee River. Many of your readets will remember this little village, spoken. He made a minute survey of my where Gen. Wilson's command spent the | patched suit, smiled, and no doubt sized me | Lieut, Crnikshank, Co. H, 123d N. Y., relaup as quite a verdant youth. Then he said | tive to the death of Gen. Polk. I am perlast Winter of the war, and some, no doubt, will also remosaber the white frame house on to his companion:

the bank of a clear stream, called Bluff Creek. This was try father's house, and in you see he hasn't got sense enough to know | boasting, as far too many narrators are, it Gen. Hatch had his Meadquarters during | what an oath means?" "Well, you go down to camp and take the

I made the trip to my brother's without outh, and then the Yankees won't bother you I recollect them. mishap, and waited eagerly for news of the any more. "I do wish I could go, but I ain't got no Yankees. When in a few days I learned they

had actually gone into Winter quarters I was | hoss to ride, an' I couldn't keep up with you | of the battery at once. Lieut. Alf Morrison. sadly distrussed; for besides having a Fed- tellers." "Now, if you will promise us you'll come

force, there was the Tennessee River, half a to-morrow, I believe I'll let you off." mile wide, in the way, and knowing that all "All right; I want to we the sojers anyhow, an' I'll start soon in the mornin', an' led out to the right front of the position the EDITORIAL NOTE .- Dr. Cannon, in the next | be ther afore you're thinkin' about it." installment of "Ins de of Rebeldom," tells | Giving me his name and full directions of the peculiar condition of affairs incide t how to find him, he very graciously volunto occupation of the country by Union sol- teered to escort me to the officer who would

tiers, and of his narrow escape from capture. | administer the oath, and putting spurs to on every wrapper

remainder of the squad, who were waiting at in Corp'l McCollum's cap.
the gate. I felt very much relieved, but Baug! Little Mae's Rodman spoke. The

ate a hurried dinner and struck a bec-line for do. Thank you. You may return to your the nearest thicket, where I stayed until place in the line." Then he rode off. night, and even then was almost afraid to I am persuaded that Lieut. Cruikshank is at night.

fighting in the Georgia campaign.

We lay out this way for several days, but t became monotonous. We slept so much in daytime we could not sleep at night, and we began planning some means of entertainment for the long Winter nights.

When a suggestion was made to get all the boys and girls in the neighborhood to meet at a certain house and have a "party' it met with the unanimous approval of both

The first night we had five couples, and enjoyed ourselves so much, we decided to continue the meetings indefinitely, going first to one house, then to another. Being 10 or 12 miles from camps, and quite a distance from the public roads, we had but little fear of the Yankees making raids at night, though as a matter of caution we movements that might be observed.

We had no dancing at our "parties," but played "twistification" and kissing plays, and the more kissing the better the boys liked it. The girls were more liberal with their kisses during war times than they are now, or if not, they are more sly about it; for we old fellows seldom see or hear any-

We continued our parties almost every night, scarcely ever breaking up before daylight; for we had nothing to do but to sleep all day, and I presume the girls also took naps at home, or they could not have stood the loss of so much sleep.

As conjectured, the Yankees did not make any night raids, and we were not interrupted in our social gatherings; but every day we could see and hear the enemy from our hiding places, as they rode along the little country roads, going from house to house, and occasionally capturing some unfortunate rebel. When the Federals went into camps at Gravelly Springs, Gen. Hatch made his Headmained till the last of January or 1st of great court flatterers, never having been used February, 1865; when he was ordered to toys, for the amusement of royalty. move his division to Eastport, 15 miles be-

intelligent gentleman, and the family soon became very much attached to him. Shortly afterwards my sister told him confidentially that she had a rebel brother 'lying out" not very far from camps, and come home, assuring her that he would take care of me and that I should not be molested. She had so much confidence in Charlie that she was finally induced to make the trip out to my brother's, and when she told her errand,

I very positively refused to go. She pleaded with me, arguing that it was the safest for discarded my Confederate uniform and but I still refused to go, and she went back home very much disappointed.

About a week afterwards she came again, quired numerous patches to make it at all com- this time accompanied by Charlie (the guard) ortable; besides, my brother being a very and when I came in from the "thicket" at we were as friendly as old acquaintances. As I surveyed myself I thought with regret | After supper we all sat around the fire (we f my almost new gray uniform, and felt that | had no lamps and candles those days), having | riches. t would be humiliating to be captured and a very pleasant time, not dreaming of any arried off a prisoner in this rig, and in- intrusion from Yanks or Johnnies, when about vardly wowed if half a chance of rejoining 9 o'clock the door was pushed gently open av command ever presented itself, I would and we saw a big army pistol pointed right how a "clean pair of heels," and, to use a into the crowd. We could see only the pistol lang expression of the present day, "light and the arm that held it, the rest of the body shuck i for other and more congenial parts. being hid in the darkness. Before we could

"Come out o' there." I had been so accustomed to look out for the Yankees that my first thought was I was their brawny grips. went to the door and saw a squad sitting on a prisoner this time sure enough, and, rising from my chair. I started toward the door.

"Go back; it's the other fellow we want. an instant it occurred to me that my only there; that he was unarmed, etc.; but they River in the minds of the American Indians. sope was in "playing off" citizen, so I walked | presented their pistols at my head and commanded me to go back in such language that I thought it best to obey.

where they began to load their horses with had bridled the horses and led them out. We meat. This gave me a little time to com- were confronted by a squad of as rough and pose my nerves, and I occupied the time unprincipled men as ever disgraced the Con-

Of course we were very much distressed. In a short time one of them rode back, with and begged for Charlie, but they would listen two hams tied to the front of his saddle to nothing; then my sister pleaded for the and a side of bacon behind that covered his horse (which was her own), but in vain. horse to the tail. Without even a "good | They drove us back into the house at the

ban of both armies, and would have robbed

It seemed like a long time, but in reality could not have been more than 10 minutes. when the door was pushed open and Charlie bounded in, minus hat, boots, and pocketbook. We felt very much relieved, and rejoiced that the affair had turned out no worse, but realized that he was in a predicament-bareheaded, barefooted, horseless, and 12 miles from camp.

(To be continued.)

EDITOR NATIONAL TRIBUNE: I read with considerable pleasure the narrative of First Therefore, I feel safe, so far as he is concerned, to give my "version of the facts" as

My remembrance is that Gen. Sherman asked to have the best gun and best gunner then in command of the 5th Ind. battery. and to whom Gen. Sherman had addressed himself, ordered Frank McCollum to follow him with his gun and detachment. They

Lieut. Morrison having preceded them. There was nothing particular "doing" just then on our part of the line, and a few of the more inquisitive (the writer one of them) concluded to follow and find out what was "in the wind." From the manner in which the "order" had been given, and the manifest desire to have it speedily executed, suffering woman. Address Massi E. Rush, Jollet, Illa.

their horses they galloped off and joined the | we concluded there was a chance for a feather |

looked with longing eyes at four good hams first charge fell a liftle short. Bang! Again and two sides of bacon that had taken such a the gun was discharged. Going straight to sudden departure. I inwardly thought that the object, the shell exploded at the right few more raids like this would cause rations | time and place. The result was satisfactory. to be as short as they were in the Confederate | Gen. Sherman, returning his field-glasses to their case, turned around to the men oper-As soon as the Yankees got out of sight I ating the gun and said simply: "That will

venture in. After supper I went to a neigh-bor's house where two other rebels (Jo Hooker doubtless "sent forward a battery Hamm and Pink Hendrix) were stopping, which soon silenced the enemy's guns." An and we made arrangements to lie out in the officer of the battery (though not of the one thicket together during the day and come in Hooker sent forward) did see the group of officers when pointed out by Gen. Sherman. The first day out we saw several squads | Surely Lieut. Cruikshank was misinformed passing, and could hear them shooting at the time when the facts of Gen. Polk's chickens and turkeys at the neighboring death were made known. I know whereof I houses all day. At times the firing was like write, being an eye-witness at the time.skirmish, and reminded us of the picket | D. D. Holm, 5th Ind. battery, Huntington,



TOPIC OF THE WEEK.

The Compass, and How it Pointed the Way to Better Things.

Civilization is a plant of slow growth. It is nurtured by invention-a handmaid coy and uncertain. It was 200 years after Marco Polo carried the compass from Cathay to Venice that Columbus discovered America. The compass had not been hidden away all that time, for minor navigators seem to have been using it on the Mediterranean Sea years before. Besides that, some stray mariner or some band of hardy pioneers, with the cry of "Westward ho," had carried it to Norway and France a century or two before that time. There is trace of it in Norway as early as 1266, and in France as far back as 1150, nearly a hundred years before Marco Polo returned from the Kingdom of Kublai Kahn

with the wedding party that carried the great sovereign's daughter to the Court of the King of Persia. everything under the sun, but their inven- The Secretary. tions have been held the property of the

Feudalism, with its lords and ladies in the castles and its dependencies and serfs outside, brought with it such social order as the sword and donjon can enforce. A beautiful spirit of chivalry lent its aid for a time to secial uplifting, but the entire system carried its own degeneracy with it, for it was not long till lord and castle, squire and serf, were he at once began to persuade her to have me under a perverted religious denomination, which throttled originality, and philosophy made of religion a superstition, and taught and soul to an established order.

> Then the compass revealed its hidden environments, led, the advance and began to discover, or rehabilitate, industries and arts. and science, which had been looked on as a on new conrage, and the whole world was Columbus discovered the West Indies, the

portico of the new world, and the Cabots, seeking a short cut to China and Japan, sailed up and down the North American coast, marveling that they had found an island so small man (120 pounds), it was with diffi- night, I was somewhat surprised, but was big that they could not get around it. enlty that I could get into it, and surely it introduced to our visitor and in a snort time Amerigo Vespucci, who gave his name to the Western continent, was fitting out the caravels of the Medici family to add to their vast

Christian aceticism faded away before the revelation of a lost thought, that the Kingdom of Heaven is began in the hearts and lives Men began to improve their habitations, but

the process was slow, and every step towards greater ease and refinement in life was mocked But no opportunity was likely to occur soon, even conjecture as to what it meant a gruff as effeminate. Forks and knives and spoons came slowly into use, and men were slow to cease rending their meat with their fingers or to break their bread from the loaf with

Handkerchiefs were sneered at by even Kings and Queens and Lords and Ladies. As late as the reign of Queen Elizabeth, past the middle of the 16th century, the introduction of a carriage into the streets of London excited as much superstition among the people as did the first steamboat on the Mississippi Both devices were considered the work of the devil, though some of the more imaginary Britishers insisted that the carriage was "a great sea-shell brought from China." The man who first carried an umbrella on the streets of London was mobbed. Printing was known as the black art, and the first books printed in Paris were burned as the works of

It was in the reign of Henry VII., 1485-1509, that the British merchants fitted out an expedition to the new world, which they intrusted to Sebastian Cabot, of Bristol, son of a Venetian pilot, whom they sent out to bring home some of the treasures and slaves with which Christopher Columbus had en-

Cabot's voyage was successful, and it was So we remained in suspense, expecting then that England began her prestige as a put an end to Charlie. The few minutes of great maritime power; a prestige followed waiting was almost unendurable. The friend French and Spanish in America, and made About this time the other rode up, and he who had taken the risk in our behalf was herself mistress of the soil of the new world, The only place of retreat we could think too had enough bacon tied to his saddle to perhaps being murdered by the vilest wretches until her colonies, in turn, assumed supremacy, and slipped her ships from the moorings

on United States soil. Henry VIII. at the beginning of his reign had but one ship-of-war, while Elizabeth, 40 years later, sent out 150 against the Spanish Armada. It was not until 1534 that the city of London had a paved street. As an old record tells us, the streets were "very noxous and foul, and in many places thereof very jeopardous to all people passing and repassing, as well on hirseback as on foot." the commons the young men used to meet to fight and daily report to bear-baiting and

cock-fighting. - share An account given by Harrison shows from what wretched hovels the people had emerged. He is delighted with the wooden houses, overed with plaster, as the "delectable whiteness of the stuffe is laied on so even and smoothlie."

The impetus of the compass has never come to a halt. Commerce was first to feel the impulse, and the woolen trade in England made such an engimous advance that cornfields were changed into pasture lands. Agriculture was quickeded to such an extent that in half a century the produce per acreage was have received four certificates by virtue of

doubled. Art and literature took on new life and blossomed to the harvest.

AN OUTLOOK

Words of Good Suggestion from an Enthusi-My DEAR GIRLS: I have been buried, so

to speak, under a mass of mathematical harmony that has required constant thought and

labor. As the old year with its pleasant memories dies and the new year is ushered in with all its bright hopes, and the studies and work and struggles begin again with renewed effort, while peace and quiet reign for a short time, let us draw our chairs around the cheerful hearth of THE NATIONAL TRIBUNE and

have a chat about our prospects. As each of us in turn expects to be at the very head of our "to be" great National Patriotic Literary Association, let us each see how much we can accomplish. Why not everyone of you get together all the bright young women of your acquaintance and form a home social club to meet semi-monthly; elect officers, lay out your programs, and see that they are carried out. Take up the reading of history, solid fiction, and poems. Get your books from the public libraries. Let each member read a chapter or a poem or an account of anything interesting, then let the members discuss it. You will all have any amount of real happiness and pleasure out of

Then at our National meeting your papers on patriotism consist mainly of an account of the work that you have accomplished in your

Here is a thought on which I would like to have the opinions of the members. Let each member pay, say, 25 cents admission fee and so much per year, whatever you decide upon, and the funds thus collected be devoted to the buying of patriotic literature for the poor of our neighborhoods. Your paper might be sent to old soldiers or their descendants who could not get it otherwise. Or we could accomplish a great work among the poor, many of whom do not know the meaning of patriot-

Wishing you all the good things of the season and a peaceful, happy and prosperous New Year, I am, loyally-Ideo M. Kline.

L.H.Q. NOTES.

About the Members of the Association and Their Doings.

Among the topics on which the Loyal Home Workers are asked to contribute articles for the month of January are: "The Wives of Henry VIII.," Wyckliffe and His Influence,' "Martin Luther," "Lady Jane Grey," 'Cranmer," "Queen Elizabeth," "Mary, Queen of Scots;" "Gutenburg and His Books."

We have New Year greetings from Ed. C. Close, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Charles A. Hartz, Reading, Pa.; Ella E. Calkins, Groveland, The application of Mr. C. E. Chamberlain,

of Bridgeport, Conn., for membership in the L.H.W. is hereby announced. Some historians tell that Marco Polo brought the compass to Europe from China, but it is generally believed that it was the re-The Chinese seem to have discovered almost | sult of independent discovery in Europe. -

NOTES OF THE MAGAZINES.

McClure's Magazine promises a very bright lot of reading for 1898, 200 East Twentyfifth street, New York.

THE CENTURY FOR 1897. Published by the Century Publishing Co., New York. The bound volumes of The Century Magazine for 1897 are a great storehouse of rich and varied literature. Special features are: Dr. Mitchell's novel of the American Revolution; Hugh Wynne, Free Quaker: Mrs. Mary Hartwell Catherwood's historical rothe fatal doctrine of abject obedience of body | mance. The Days of Jeanne d'Arc; extracts from the journals of the late African explorer, E. J. Glave; articles on Alaska, by John powers, and adventurers and discoverers went | Muir; Bicycling Through the Dolomites, by orth. Lay society breaking away from its | Cel. George E. Waring, jr.; Crete and Greece, by Demetrius Kalopothakes; Norway, by H.

> THE SAINT NICHOLAS FOR 1897. Published by the Century Co., New York. The Saint Nicholas is so truly delightful that the "grown-ups" read its stories, sketches, and poems-and to the children it is a great treat. These volumes are worthy the name they bear-of the good patron saint of the children.

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AS THEY VIEW IT.

Veterans' Opinions of the Pension

Alexander Speer, Co. A, 47th Ill., Ellis-

ville, Ill., writes that he is opposed to any law that will debar young widows receiving pensions. He believes women who marry veterans now are as much entitled to pensions as those who were married before the war or at any time since. Eli F. Jackson, Monroe, Wis., believes that a per diem pension bill should be passed as an act of justice to those who

served long and faithfuily. F. W. Haulenbech, Hospital Steward, 59th Ill., Sedalia, Mo., writes: "Give us the per diem bill. I know of soldiers who served from 52 to 56 months who are receiving but \$6, while widows who were married long after the close of the war are getting \$12. Every widow who married after 1876 should be refused a pension. John W. Langfitt, Taylorsville, Pa., writes that he is opposed to private pension bills, and thinks the granting of the same should be stopped.

Elijah Howard, Co. H, 8th Tenn., is in favor of the service pension bill. Edward H. Rogers, Co. H, 43d Mass. Chelsea, Mass., believes a service pension should be combined with a pension for disability, whether said disability was the result of any army service or not. In all cases where the veteran has not sufficient income to support himself comfortably a pension of at least \$12 should be granted

A. D. Trask, Co. K, 18th Conn., Canton.

Mass., writes that the veterans should be given a service pension. He would do away with the Board of Examining Surgeons, and reduce the number of clerks in the Pension Bureau. This would save some money which could be devoted to paying just claims of the old soldiers. G. J. Hastings, Co. G. 2d Ky. Cav., going up against so many widows drawing pensions, and some are for stopping the women from marrying the eld veterans. I say, let the girls marry the veterans if they wish, but as the law causes a soldier's widow to lose her pension on remarrying, let a law be passed cutting off the soldier-pensioner in case he remarries. If such legislation were passed the pen-sion list of widows would not increase in

the future." S. O. Weston, Co. H, 6th Minn., State Soldiers' Home, Lafayette, Ind., writes in favor of a service pension. J. E. Ingram, Co. F, 93d Ill., Whiting.

Ind., writes: "Do those who claim that the pension roll contains many frauds, soldiers drawing pensions when not suffering from physical disabilities which unfit them wholly or in part for manual labor, stop to consider that in every case a rigid examination is made of the claimant by competent physicians employed by the Government? Both great political parties have had a chance to select these physicians. Not one soldier who has received a pension certifictae signed by the Commissioner of Pensions but has been before one of these Boards of Examining Surgeons. the same number of examinations, two certificates each from Boards appointed by the Republicans and Democratic Administrations. Were these several Boards de-ceived as to my condition, or did they connive with me to practice fraud on the Government that I once defended? The same question might be asked in numerous other instances.

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THEY ALL PRAISE IT.

National Tribune Readers Volunteer Good Words.

A. K. Nash, Co. I, 95th Ill., Pasadena, Cal.: In my opinion you are giving the old soldier more for \$1 than he ever received before. The narrative "Andersonville" is as true as words can picture. I was there from June to September, 1864, when I made my escape. Although closely pursued by bloodhounds, I reached the Union lines safely. Every comrade taking the paper should try to send in clubs of new subscribers.

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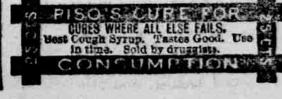
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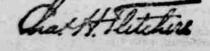
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